

**North American Numbering Council
Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2005 (Final)**

I. Time and Place of Meeting. The North American Numbering Council (NANC) held a meeting commencing at 9:30 a.m., at the Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., TW-C305, Washington, D. C.

II. List of Attendees.

Voting Council Members:

1. Hoke Knox	Vice Chairman
2. Mark Lancaster	AT&T
3. Debra Jordan	BellSouth
4. Stephen Trotman	CompTel/ALTS
5. Beth O'Donnell	Cox Communications, Inc.
6. Karen Mulberry	MCI
7. Hon. Jack Goldberg	NARUC – Connecticut
8. Mike Balch	NARUC – Iowa
9. Dan Kearney	NARUC - Michigan
10. Hon. Robert M. Clayton, III	NARUC – Missouri
11. Don Gray	NARUC – Nebraska
12. Christine Sealock Kelly	NARUC – New York
13. Joel Cheskis	NASUCA – Pennsylvania
14. Jerome Candelaria	NCTA
15. Rosemary Emmer	Nextel
16. Ray Strassburger	Nortel Networks
17. John McHugh	OPASTCO
18. C. Courtney Jackson	OUR
19. Mary Retka	Qwest
20. John Jefferson	SBC Communications, Inc.
21. Anna Miller	T-Mobile USA, Inc.
22. Thomas Soroka, Jr.	USTA
23. Douglas P. Sullivan	Verizon
24. Louis Mamakos	Vonage Holdings Corp. (Vonage)

Special Members (Non-voting):

John Manning	NANPA
Jean-Paul Emard	ATIS
Amy Putnam	PA
Faith Marcotte	Welch & Company

Commission Employees:

Sanford Williams, Designated Federal Officer (DFO)
Pam Slipakoff, Alternate DFO
Deborah Blue, Assistant to the DFO
Narda Jones, Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (TAPD)
Cheryl Callahan, Assistant Chief, TAPD
Regina Brown, TAPD
Marilyn Jones, TAPD

III. Estimate of Public Attendance. Approximately 27 members of the public attended the meeting as observers.

IV. Documents Introduced.

- (1) Agenda
- (2) North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA) Report to the NANC
- (3) National Thousands Block Number Pooling Services Report
- (4) North American Portability Management (NAPM) LLC Report to the NANC
- (5) Industry Numbering Committee (INC) Report to the NANC
- (6) Billing and Collection Agent Report to the NANC
- (7) Billing and Collection Working Group (B&C WG) Report to the NANC
- (8) Issues Management Group (IMG) Report and Recommendations on SMS/800 Number Administration Committee (SNAC) Guidelines
- (9) Local Number Portability Administration (LNPA) Working Group Status Report to the NANC
- (10) Numbering Oversight Working Group (NOWG) Report
- (11) Future of Numbering Working Group (FoN WG) Report to the NANC
- (12) List of NANC Accomplishments (January 2002 – May 17, 2005)
- (13) Report and Recommendation on NANC Change Orders 399 and 400

V. Summary of the Meeting.

Announcements and Recent News. Sanford Williams, DFO, announced the appointments of Regina Brown as the new DFO and Marilyn Jones as the Alternate DFO. These appointments will be effective at the end of May 2005.

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes. The March 15, 2005 NANC Meeting Minutes will be approved electronically.

B. North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) Report to the NANC. John Manning, NANPA, provided the report to the NANC.

Central Office Code (CO) Activity Report. Mr. Manning reported that in April 2005, 287 CO Codes were assigned and 127 CO Codes were returned. Mr. Manning reviewed a chart reflecting a comparison between code assignments, code application denials, and

returns/reclamations in January-April 2004 and January-April 2005. He reported that the NANPA assigned 1,169 codes during January-April 2004 and 1,400 during January-April 2005. The average assignment rate for the first four months of 2005 was 350 codes per month. For calendar year 2004, the average assignment rate was approximately 250 codes per month.

Mr. Manning reported that in April 2005, the NANPA conducted a survey of the service provider community concerning the NANPA CO Code Administrator customer service performance. The NANPA distributed the survey to nearly 350 code applicants. The survey addressed the CO Code Administrator's knowledge of industry guidelines, courtesy, professionalism and responsiveness. The NANPA received less than 25 survey responses. The responses indicated that respondents were extremely satisfied in all of the above areas. For courtesy and professionalism, the Code Administrator's scored a perfect 5.0. For knowledge of industry guidelines and responsive, the average score was 4.9 out of 5.0. In addition, comments provided reflected outstanding service and support.

Mr. Manning reported that the NANPA is presently gathering input from state regulatory commissions concerning the data requested on the NANC "Quick Sheet." This Quick Sheet provides information on how state regulatory commissions handle safety valve requests from service providers. The NANPA hopes to post the Quick Sheet to the NANPA website by May 2005.

Numbering Plan Area (NPA) Relief Planning. Mr. Manning reported that there are 4 NPAs currently projected to exhaust with the next 12 months:

- CA 310 – As of 5/12/05, there were 7 codes available for assignment.
- IL 630 and 815 have an approved relief plan in place.
- GA 706 – NPA in jeopardy with rationing at 4 codes per month. An industry meeting was held on 5/10/05 to discuss implementation.

Mr. Manning advised that the NANPA assigned the 730 NPA to relieve the 618 NPA in Illinois per the Illinois Commerce Commission's approval of an overlay on April 20, 2005.

Anna Miller, T-Mobile, USA, stated that the industry is very concerned that the CA 310 NPA will exhaust before an approved relief plan has been put in place. In March 2005 the wireless and wireline industry filed a Petition to Modify with the California Public Utility Commission. This petition for a triggered overlay relief plan was supported by SBC, Verizon, Verizon Wireless, Cingular, T-Mobile, Sprint, and Nextel.

April 2005 NPA and NANPA Exhaust Projections.

Mr. Manning reported that the NPA and North American Numbering Plan (NANP) exhaust projections were posted to the NANPA website on May 4, 2005, and a notice was sent to the NANC and the industry.

The NPA exhaust projections report provides the projected NPA exhaust forecast dates from 2002, 2003, April 2004 (2004.1), October 2004 (2004.2) and April 2005 (2005.1). The NANPA will retain the four previous NPA exhaust forecast dates when publishing the current exhaust projections. The report also reflected the change from the previous exhaust date to the new exhaust date. Explanations were provided for those NPA's projected to exhaust in the next several years when the forecast changed by more than 2 quarters.

The methodology used in the development of these forecasts incorporated certain data elements that the NANPA has used for previous exhaust projections. Per the NANP technical requirements, the NANPA will publish new NPA exhaust projections in October 2005. If it is necessary to revise an NPA exhaust forecast prior to October 2005, the NANPA will publish a "delta" Numbering Resource Utilization/Forecast (NRUF), similar to what the NANPA has done in previous years.

Mr. Manning stated that three new NPA exhaust projects will be starting near the end of 2005 in Michigan, Missouri, and New Mexico.

Mr. Manning stated that the NANPA projects the exhaust of the NANP based upon the utilization and forecast data submitted by carriers via the NRUF process. He reviewed the assumptions that were used in the April 2005 NANP Exhaust Analysis with the NANC.

Mr. Manning stated that using an average CO Code demand rate of 6,500 codes assigned per year, and assuming the quantity of NPAs available is 685, the projected NANP exhaust date is beyond 2035. A sensitivity analysis was performed, with an increase in the average annual CO code demand. The sensitivity analysis used 9,100 CO codes annually, which represented the gross demand as calculated from the April 2005 NPA Exhaust Analysis. This resulted in a projected exhaust of 2030.

Courtney Jackson, OUR, expressed concerned about the basis for the exhaust. He stated that there are certain activities and trends in the marketplace that need to be considered as having potential for a significant impact.

Mr. Manning stated that the assumption is that the carriers that are involved with numbering resources are including that information in their projections, thus, these activities and trends are included in the study.

Numbering Resource Utilization/Forecast (NRUF) Update. Mr. Manning reported that the NANPA is presently conducting a NANP Administration System (NAS) NRUF User Survey. This survey seeks opinions, recommendations and concerns regarding the submission of utilization and forecast data via the NRUF reporting process. Mr. Manning advised that the NANPA will hold individual responses to the survey in confidence and will not share them with anyone outside of the NANPA/NeuStar.

Respondents are encouraged to provide comments and observations concerning the NRUF submission process. Survey results will be summarized and shared with the NOWG.

Mr. Manning stated that the NANPA conducted a NRUF state refresher training on May 11, 2005. The purpose of the training was to discuss the various NAS NRUF reporting capabilities available to state NAS users and how these reports can assist the states in their number optimization efforts. Five states participated in the training. The training also addressed the state NRUF database that the NANPA provides to the states after each NRUF submission cycle.

Carrier Identification Codes (CICs). Mr. Manning stated that the FCC has requesting comments to refresh the record on CIC conservation and the definition of an “entity” for the purposes of CIC assignments. Specifically, parties were invited to respond to questions regarding the current two CIC per entity limit and proposed changes to the definition of the term “entity.” Comments are due 30 days after Federal Register publication of the Notice. Reply comments are due 45 days after Federal Register publication of the Notice.

Mr. Manning stated in a letter dated April 20, 2005, the NANPA received additional direction from the FCC concerning the definition of an entity and its use in processing CIC applications. The letter is available on the NANPA website at http://www.nanpa.com/number_resource_info/carrier_id_codes.html. Applicants for CICs should review the letter before submitting a CIC assignment application to the NANPA.

C. Presentation by the National Thousands-Block Pooling Administrator (PA).

Amy Putnam, NeuStar, presented the report to the NANC. Ms. Putnam reported that the following Change Orders were approved by the FCC in January 2005 and made available in the Pooling Administration System (PAS) on April 4, 2005:

- Change Order No. 27 – Extending Forecast Report from 12 to 18 months
- Change Order No. 30 – LERG Assignee Confirmation of Activation in PSTN
- Change Order No. 31 – Expand Query Options for Donation Report
- Change Order No. 32 – Modify Process for Deleting PAS work items
- Change Order No. 33 – Modify Search/Forms View Query
- Change Order No. 36 – Red Light Rule System Modification
- Change Order No. 35 – Red Light Rule Interim Manual Process had been in progress. The PA is no longer using the manual process.

Ms. Putnam reported that the PA has submitted the following new Change Orders:

- Change Order No. 40 – submitted April 6, 2005. Address the need for an additional PA. The NOWG did not recommend approval of Change Order No. 40.

- Change Order No. 41 – submitted May 4, 2005. It was developed from previous Change Order No. 24 which was withdrawn. Change Order No. 41 responds to the NOWG request that the PA obtain reports from the NPAC and perform a one-time scrub of the PA's entire database to reduce the likelihood that carriers will receive over-contaminated blocks, or incorrectly identified contaminated blocks in lieu of pristine blocks. The NOWG recommended approval of Change Order No. 41.

The following Change Orders are pending:

- Change Order No. 37 – from INC Issue 458 – Reduce Aging Period for Returned/Reclaimed Blocks – submitted December 7, 2004.
- Change Order No. 38 – 1Q2005 Service Provider Suggestions – submitted January 14, 2005. The NOWG recommended approval of Change Order No. 38.
- Change Order No. 39 – Thousands Block Part 4 Report (combines previous Change Orders No. 25 and 34) – submitted February 18, 2005.

Ms. Putnam stated that January, February, March and April of 2005 were the PA's four busiest months ever. She stated that there were 80,440 assigned blocks as of April 2005. The total assigned blocks in the PAS as of December 31, 2004 was 61,118. The total assigned blocks in the PAS as of December 31, 2003 was 19,322.

For the March 2005 Thousands Block Pooling Report, 7,968 applications were approved; 611 applications were denied; and 448 applications were suspended. For the April 2005 Report, 8,536 applications were approved; 593 were denied; and 711 applications were suspended.

Ms. Putnam reviewed the assignment trends with the NANC.

The PAS availability for the March 2005 and April 2005 System Performance Reports was 100%.

The PA Annual Report was sent to the FCC on March 31, 2005. It is available on the PA's website.

The PA had its NOWG Operation Review in April 2005. The PA responded to two sets of follow-up questions from the NOWG. The FCC Contracting Officer approved the posting of the PA monthly Thousands-Block Pooling Data Report to the website. The review conference for the report will be held some time this summer.

Don Gray, NARUC – Nebraska, inquired why Change Order No. 40 was not approved given the increase in assigned blocks over the last four months. Mr. Williams stated that the NOWG recommended that Change Order No. 40 not be approved, but, indicated that the FCC has not made a decision.

Rosemary Emmer, Nextel, read the following analysis and comments that the NOWG made with respect to Change Order No. 40:

“The PA Technical Requirements dated November 30, 2000, Section 2.3 Staffing reads: ‘Pooling administration staffing shall be at appropriate levels to ensure that the contractor can efficiently perform the functions as identified.’ The NOWG believes that the staffing requirements should be met within the parameters of the current technical requirements under which the current contract was awarded. After reviewing this change order, the NOWG recommends that this change order should not be approved.”

Ms. Putnam stated that the PA felt that it needed more staffing to meet the existing application load.

D. North American Portability Management LLC (NAPM LLC) Report. Karen Mulberry, Co-Chair, presented the report to the NANC. Ms. Mulberry stated that at the March 15, 2005 NANC meeting the NAPM LLC was asked about its process to consider unsolicited vendor proposals. She indicated that the NAPM LLC undertook that action to define a process.

Ms. Mulberry advised that the point of contact will be the Co-Chairs. She stated that any vendor presentations to the NAPM LLC will be done in the open portion of the NAPM LLC meetings. Ms. Mulberry stated that the NAPM LLC created a subcommittee called the Vendor Proposal Advisory Committee (VPAC). The VPAC will review the proposals and provide recommendations for the members to consider. All communications to inquiring applicant(s) subsequent to initial presentations will be from the NAPM LLC Co-Chairs.

Ms. Mulberry advised that the NAPM LLC is developing its own website (www.napmlc.com). Information and details will be posted on the website regarding the NAPM LLC so that it is publicly accessible. There will also be a member’s only portion with password protection for confidential and proprietary information.

Ms. Mulberry advised that the NAPM LLC approved NeuStar performing extended “Maintenance” for the NPAC application architecture upgrade.

Mike Slomin – Telcordia Technologies, expressed concern that the NAPM LLC process has been excessively closed to the public, contrary to the expectations of the NANC in 1997 and very much contrary to the expectations of the FCC, by Order in 1997. Mr. Slomin remarked that it has been excessively closed in the past, and that Telcordia does not want to see it excessively closed going forward.

Mr. Slomin stated that this is a process that enables the NAPM LLC Co-Chairs to filter all communications by vendors with the NAPM LLC. He further stated that Telcordia is troubled by the closed nature of that process. Mr. Slomin indicated that Telcordia would be far less troubled if there was a process for soliciting proposals by vendors rather than vendors coming in with unsolicited proposals, filtered by the NAPM LLC. He advised

that it would be far more acceptable to Telcordia and other vendors if there was some commitment to soliciting proposals.

Ms. Emmer remarked that as a member of the NAPM LLC, she finds it inappropriate for Telcordia to come to the NANC and suggest that the NAPM LLC Co-Chairs are not filtering all of the information down to herself and other members of the NAPM LLC. She stated that she believes they are getting everything that the NAPM LLC Co-Chairs are getting.

Ms. Mulberry responded that in terms of excessively closed meetings, when the NAPM LLC is meeting on issues that are financially related to the NAPM LLC, or meeting on items related to the NAPM LLC's contractual relationship with its vendor, which are marked proprietary and confidential, the meetings are closed. She stated that anything that can be generally discussed in the public without those conditions is done in a public setting. Ms. Mulberry welcomed Telcordia to address any particular problems that it has with the NAPM LLC in the open portion of its meeting. Ms. Mulberry advised that the NAPM LLC Co-Chairs do not filter information. She further advised that the NAPM LLC members feel that the Co-Chairs should be the point of contact for the NAPM.

Ms. Mulberry responded that there is currently no interest in the NAPM LLC to go through a process to develop an RFP to solicit proposals. Mr. Slomin questioned whether the NAPM LLC is interested in competitive bidding. Ms. Mulberry responded not at this time. She stated that it has a vendor under contract. Ms. Mulberry stated that the NAPM LLC will consider unsolicited proposals. She indicated that the NAPM LLC has two proposals that it is reviewing at this time. Mr. Slomin stated that Ms. Mulberry's statement that the NAPM LLC is not interested in soliciting competitive bids is why Telcordia and other vendors should be concerned. He further stated that the NANC should consider bids, because it is losing the benefits of competition. Ms. Mulberry responded that the NAPM LLC has a vendor contract, and there is no reason at this time to void that contract. She further stated that if there are conditions that would warrant voiding the contract, then the NAPM LLC would solicit proposals.

Mr. Gray asked Ms. Mulberry to confirm that when a new contract period is about to begin, the NAPM LLC will put forth an RFP and go through a competitive process and that at the current time, there are no items on the agenda that require the NAPM LLC to evaluate potential vendors. Ms. Mulberry agreed. Mr. Williams stated that if the NANC feels that something needs to be addressed in this process, the NANC is free to make recommendations to the FCC about the NAPM LLC and the way that it conducts business. He further stated that if a party that is not a part of the NAPM LLC has a question, it should address its concerns to the NANC or to the FCC, and the NANC or the FCC will act accordingly.

E. Industry Numbering Committee (INC) Report. Ken Havens provided the report to the NANC. Mr. Havens reviewed the INC Meeting Schedule with the NANC.

CO/NXX Subcommittee. Mr. Havens stated that INC Issue 466 addressed the request to modify the COCAG Appendix C to include the Coordinated Industry Effort Process as an option for service providers to change the Code Holder of an NXX in the NPAC. The INC was contacted by the LNPA WG with the suggested changes to the COCAG Appendix C. The INC revised the resolution in accordance with the LNPA WG feedback and the issue is in Final Closure.

NPA Subcommittee - US Dept. of Navy (DON) Request for NPA. Mr. Havens reported on INC Issue 459, Request to Consolidate Country Code Number 1 Assets of the United States Department of the Navy (DON) for a Newly Issue Area Code.

Mr. Havens advised that in early March 2005, the DON asked that the INC issue and its request for the NPA be held in abeyance while the DON took 90 days to reconsider whether or not to go forward with its request. He indicated that the 90 days will be up on June 3, 2005. The INC received input from the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) Toll Fraud Prevention Committee (TFPC) in the form of questions and concerns regarding the proposal. The INC updated the INC matrix and forwarded the information to the DON. The INC anticipates that before the next INC meeting, the DON will make a decision as to whether it will proceed with the request..

Issues Remaining in Initial Pending Due to Change Order Process. Mr. Havens reported on INC Issue 458, Reduce “Aging Period” for Returned/Reclaimed Blocks from 90 to 45 Days. He stated that this issue was initiated by the NOWG in 2004 when soliciting information from the INC regarding the PA Technical Requirements Document. The INC provided the information to the NOWG that resulted in this Issue. Mr. Havens stated that the Issue resulted in Change Order No. 37, which is still outstanding.

Mr. Havens reported on INC issue 407, Treatment of Dedicated Codes for Single Customers in a Pooling Environment. He stated that initially, the FCC had denied the Change Order, but in January 2004, the NANC had a discussion regarding this issue. The end result of that discussion was Chairman Atkinson writing a letter, on behalf of the NANC, to the FCC asking that the FCC take whatever steps were necessary to implement the recommended process. Mr. Havens indicated that the issue is still outstanding.

Issues in Final Closure. The following INC issues are in Final Closure:

- INC Issues 466: Update Central Office Code Administration Guidelines (COCAG) Appendix C for Code Holder Change in NPAC
- INC Issue 456: Jeopardy Declaration as a Result of Large Request for NXX Codes
- INC Issue 470: Revisiting Old Relief Plans
- INC Issue 467: Designation in COCAG Section 4.6 of 811
- INC Issue 471: Edits to COCAG 4.1.4.1, 4.1.4, and TBPAG 8.2
- INC Issue 437: document INC Procedural Agreements Reached.

F. Billing and Collection Agent (B & C Agent) Report. Faith Marcotte, Welch and Company LLP, provided the report to the NANC. Ms. Marcotte reported that the B&C Agent filed the Contribution Factor Report with the FCC in early May 2005. She indicated that invoices will be sent out to carriers in June 2005 for a payment due on July 12, 2005. Ms. Marcotte indicated that the bills will be significantly lower than in the past. At the recommendation of the Billing and Collection Working Group (B&C WG) a notice will be included with the invoice letting the carriers know that this is a one-year occurrence, and that the factor will be larger next year. Another reminder notice will be sent in September 2005.

Ms. Marcotte stated that there is a total of \$8,476,000 in the bank. A significant portion of that total is old and accrued liabilities in which some of it has been paid in May 2005. As of April 30, 2005, the fund balance is \$7,104.056. In April 2005, the investment account earned 2.086%.

Ms. Marcotte reviewed the B&C Agent's Forecast of the Fund Balance Report with the NANC. She indicated that the report does not yet reflect the new contribution factor. The new contribution factor will be reflected in the next report.

Ms. Marcotte stated that by the end of June 2005, the B & C Agent is projecting a surplus of \$5.7 million.

Ms. Marcotte reviewed the NANPA Fund Current and Forecasted Liabilities Report with the NANC.

G. Billing and Collection Working Group (B&C WG). Jim Castagna, Verizon, provided the report to the NANC. Mr. Castagna reported that at the March 15, 2005 NANC meeting, the NANC endorsed the 2005/2006 NANP Budget and agreed to use a portion of the surplus funds for funding the next fiscal year. He advised that Welch and Company accepted the B&C WG's April 28, 2005 memo suggesting Welch enclose bill inserts and notices regarding the contribution factor. Updated calculations required a contribution factor of 52 instead of 46 as the revenue is lower than expected.

Mr. Castagna reported that the B&C WG reviewed the Welch and Company filing and believes it sufficiently meets the NANC recommendations.

Mr. Castagna reviewed the Welch & Company and the B&C WG Pre-NANC conference calls meeting schedule with the NANC.

Mr. Castagna reviewed the Performance Metrics and Performance Evaluation Planning Activities with the NANC. The areas under consideration include:

- Report the Accuracy and Timeliness to FCC, the B&C WG, and the NANC
- The accuracy and timeliness of invoices to carriers
- The adequacy of service provider access to the B&C Agent staff

- The adequacy of response to queries from service providers
- Whether the B&C Agent staff exhibit sufficient knowledge
- Whether the B&C Agent staff are courteous

H. SMS/800 Number Administration Committee (SNAC) Guidelines IMG Report to the NANC. John Jefferson, SBC, provided the report to the NANC. Mr. Jefferson stated that the SNAC Guidelines Report addresses the SNAC proposal for changes to the Industry Guidelines for Toll Free Number Administration (“Industry Guidelines”), submitted to the FCC in October 2004. He advised that the SNAC IMG is proposing that a new code (XXX00) be adopted to allow a Service Subscriber to request that a notification call be made to his incumbent Responsible Organization (Resp Org) prior to making a Resp Org change through the Help Desk. This change will further protect customer rights for high usage, shared, sensitive and vanity number resources.

Mr. Jefferson stated that the IMG has undertaken the task of analyzing the request and making a recommendation to the NANC, which may be forwarded to the FCC. Mr. Jefferson stated that the SNAC IMG will be issuing its final report for the NANC members to review in advance of the July 19, 2005 NANC meeting.

Mark Lancaster, AT&T, provided a power point presentation to the NANC members on Toll-Free Component Relationships, Toll-Free Call Flow, and the Recommended Guideline Change.

I. Local Number Portability Report (LNPA WG). Gary Sacra, Co-Chair, provided the report to the NANC. Mr. Sacra reported that the current NPAC Application Servers are older technology and are being replaced in all regions. The migrations are to be performed during Sunday maintenance windows. At the last LNPA WG meeting, NeuStar reported that all testing has been completed, and no problems are anticipated for the upcoming migrations.

Mr. Sacra reported that the NAPM LLC and NeuStar have agreed to terms for the Statement of Work (SOW) for Number Portability Administration Center (NPAC) Release 3.3. He explained that Release 3.3 contains enhancements including an increase to SOA interface throughput, improvements to the recovery process, and changes to the conflict process to mitigate inadvertent ports. At the May 2005 LNPA WG meeting, the LNPA agreed to reschedule the start of service provider turn-up testing with the NPAC from 12/5/05 to 1/3/06, due to concerns expressed regarding the amount of time allotted to complete local system new release testing prior to turn-up testing with the NPAC. This will result in a shift of the production load schedule. NeuStar is revising the project plan for LNPA review. It will then be shared with the NAPM LLC for review and approval.

LNPA Status of NANC Change Orders 399 and 400. At the March 15, 2005 NANC meeting, it was determined that the LNPA WG would continue with its planned vote on the NANC Change Orders 399 and 400, with the caveat that the outcome of the votes on those two Change Orders would not be final until analysis by the Future of Numbering

Working Group (FoN WG) has been completed. At the April 2005 LNPA WG meeting, the voting participants of the LNPA WG reached consensus to recommend to the NAPM LLC the inclusion of Change Orders 399 and 400 in the NPAC Release 3.3 in an inactive state.

The result was communicated to the NAPM LLC at its April 20, 2005 meeting as part of the LNPA WG status portion of the April Project Executive report.

At its May meeting the LNPA WG reviewed a letter from the ATIS Packet Technologies and Systems Committee (PTSC) in response to the LNPA WG's request for information on VoIP service. The LNPA WG has developed a number of clarifying questions and points upon reviewing the PTSC's letter and will request a joint conference call with the PTSC for further clarification.

Mr. Sacra stated that the LNPA WG is requesting that the NANC take action on the following two issues:

- LNPA Position Paper on Evidence of Authorization. Mr. Sacra reported that a Service Provider at the LNPA WG raised an issue related to some providers requiring a physical copy of evidence of end user authorization to port before they will confirm the port request.

The LNPA WG developed a Position Paper requesting that the NANC endorse the following statement:

“It is the LNPA WG’s position that Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) of a port request shall not be predicated on the Old Local Service Provider obtaining a physical copy of the evidence of authorization from the New Local Service Provider. In the event of an end user allegation of an unauthorized change, the New Local Service Provider shall, upon request and in accordance with all applicable laws and rules, provide the evidence of authorization to the Old Local Service Provider.”

The LNPA WG will place this issue and its position in its Number Portability Best Practices document.

- LNPA Position Paper on the Use of the Customer’s Social Security Number on Local Service Request. Mr. Sacra reported that a Service Provider at the LNPA raised an issue related to some providers requiring the end user’s Social Security Number (SSN) or Tax ID on a porting Local Service Request for identification before they will confirm the port.

The LNPA WG developed a Position Paper requesting that the NANC endorse the following statement and forward it to the FCC with its endorsement:

“It is the position of the LNPA WG that the consumer’s Social Security Number/Tax Identification Number shall not be required on an LSR/WPR to port that consumer’s telephone number if the consumer’s Account Number associated with the Old Local Service Provider is provided on the LSR/WPR for identification.”

There was a NANC consensus to endorse the LNPA WG’s recommendation regarding Evidence of Authorization. Mr. Sacra stated that the LNPA WG will place this issue in its Number Portability Best Practices Document with a statement identifying the fact that the NANC has endorsed this position at its May 17, 2005 meeting.

There was a NANC consensus to endorse the LNPA WG’s recommendation regarding the Use of a Customer’s Social Security Number on Local Service Request. Gary Sacra and Doug Sullivan volunteered to draft a letter to the FCC stating that this issue should be adopted.

Mr. Sacra reviewed the PIM Report with the NANC members.

J. Numbering Oversight Working Group (NOWG) Report. Rosemary Emmer, Co-Chair, provided the report to the NANC.

PA Change Order Recommendations. Ms. Emmer reported on the following Change Order Recommendations:

- Change Order #40 – Purpose – To add an additional pooling administrator to the current staff to help manage the increase of applications received by the PA. Recommendation – The NOWG recommended that this Change Order not be approved.
- Change Order #41 – Purpose – To implement the NOWG’s recommendations made to Change Order 24 for a one-time scrub of the PAS database and outlines other various items the PA will do in an attempt to educate service providers on their responsibilities when donating block(s) to the pool (such as, adhering to the 10% contamination rule, completing intra-service provider ports prior to donation of block(s), and correctly indicating whether or not the block(s) are contaminated). Recommendation – The NOWG recommended that this change order be approved. Due to the critical nature of this issue, the NOWG also recommends that the FCC stipulate upon approval that the PA initiate work within 30 days and then complete their tasks within 120 days or less.
- Change Order #5 – Purpose – To propose a change of scope of existing NANPA operations and eliminate the current “manual” process for retrieving NRUF Form 502 Excel spreadsheets from the cocus@neustar.com mailbox and parse the data. This change order will automate the entire process and change the location of the NRUF data (emails and spreadsheets) from the current location on NeuStar

corporate resources to a new server dedicated to NRUF. There is no cost associate with this change order.

Recommendation – The NOWG recommends approval of this change order.

Status of the New PA Technical Requirements. The NOWG will recommend the new PA Technical Requirements Document to the NANC at the July 19, 2005 NANC meeting.

Status of the NANPA and PA 2004 Performance Surveys. The NOWG will deliver both final performance evaluations to the NANC at the July 19, 2005 NANC meeting.

Ms. Emmer reviewed the NOWG Meeting Schedule with the NANC.

Don Gray, NARUC – Nebraska, requested that background be given regarding the basis for the decision on Change Order #40 - To add an additional pooling administrator to the current staff to help manage the increase of applications received by the PA. Ms. Mulberry provided background for the NOWG's decision.

Christine Sealock Kelly recommended that based upon the 75% increase of the last 4 months over the same 4 months last year, that the FCC consider augmenting the PA's contract. She explained that she does not have all of the facts that are needed to make a recommendation. Ms. Sealock Kelly indicated that is why she is proposing that the FCC look at it and not just accept the NOWG's recommendation.

Vice Chairman Knox asked Ms. Sealock Kelly to submit something to the FCC for her recommendation. He stated that if others would like to join Ms. Sealock Kelly on her recommendation, they are invited to do so.

It was decided that the states will communicate its recommendation to Chairman Atkinson. The NANC members will review the recommendation and forward it to the FCC.

Mary Retka, Qwest, pointed out that the contract is between the PA and the FCC, not with the NANC. She commented that it is inappropriate for the NANC to assume that it needs to make the determination on whether service levels are being met. It is appropriate for the FCC, through its contract, to ensure that the level of service is being met. If the FCC sees that the level of service is not being met, it has the capability to either augment the contract or ask for the NANC's input.

K. Future of Numbering Working Group (FoN WG). Karen Mulberry, Co-Chair, provided the report to the NANC. Ms. Mulberry gave a status of the following current FoN WG projects with the NANC:

- NANC Report on the Future of Numbering – Work on the NANC report has been postponed due to other urgent work items.

- Navy NPA Request – Suspended February 2005; awaiting action by the Navy.
- VoIP Assignment Criteria – Work delayed due to more urgent items. The FoN WG requests that the due date be extended until the July 19, 2005 NANC meeting. There were no objections from the NANC regarding extending the due date until the July 19, 2005 NANC meeting.
- NANC LNPA Report on Change Orders 399 and 400 – The FoN WG determined that the best approach to analyze the two change orders was to separate them and conduct separate evaluations.

Change Order No. 399 – The FoN WG determined that it did not have any policy, regulatory or consumer impacts and should proceed per the recommendation from the LNPA WG.

Change Order No. 400 – The FoN WG was unable to reach consensus that the change order did not have any policy, regulatory or consumer impacts. The FoN WG was unable to determine if the change order should proceed per the recommendation from the LNPA WG.

Ms. Mulberry reviewed the FoN WG Meeting Schedule with the NANC.

Discussion on NANC Change Orders 399 and 400.

Change Order 399 - There was a NANC consensus that the NANC recommend approval of Change Order 399 as suggested by the LNPA WG.

Change Order 400 – There was extensive discussion between the Pro Position Group and the Con Position Group on NANC Change Order 400.

Ms. Miller explained that the recommendation of the Pro Position Group is that Change Order 400 be included in the NPAC Release 3.3 in an inactive mode at no cost to the industry. She stated that depending on how these services evolve, the industry can address whether or not it is an efficient option for address resolution for future services, and would actually be turned on in the NPAC. Ms. Miller indicated that the support for Change Order 400 is based on the understanding that the IP information that will be provisioned in the NPAC will be available to all carriers and all vendors on a non-discriminatory basis.

Ms. Miller thanked Sue Tiffany, Karen Mulberry, and others for their contribution in developing the Pro position with regard to NANC Change Order 400.

Mr. Lancaster pointed out the following concerns of the Con Position Group:

- Regulatory perspective – Questions on whether data such as this has any business being in the NPAC database.

- Technical basis – There are more efficient ways to communicate network to network. The best technical solution is for this to be resolved outside of a PSTN-based environment.
- Area of Cost – How are costs for number portability going to be ascribed to parties that do not stand to benefit from IP to IP routing information being in the database.
- Competition – Raises a specter of competitive issues that the NANC and the FCC has to consider. Number portability solutions such as this would better be viewed in a more competitive environment

It was decided that the Pro Group and the Con Group will refine their comments and send them to Ms. Mulberry by June 7, 2005. Ms. Mulberry will compile the information, draft a cover letter for Chairman Atkinson to consider and send it to Chairman Atkinson and the LNPA WG. Chairman Atkinson will review the information and consult with the LNPA WG Chair and the FoN WG Chair. After consulting with the WG Chairs, Chairman Atkinson will transmit the information to the NANC members by June 10, 2005. A conference call will be held to ensure that all of the NANC members are in agreement with the letter.

Chairman Atkinson requested that the LNPA Working Group and the FoN WG keep track of the hours that are spent working this issue so that the FCC can be cognizant of the work that the Working Groups do.

Rosemary Emmer thanked Mr. Williams, on behalf of the NANC, for his work on the NANC.

L. List of NANC Accomplishments. The NANC members reviewed the list of NANC Accomplishments.

M. Public Participation. None.

Next Meeting: July 19, 2005

ACTION ITEMS – May 17, 2005 NANC Meeting

1. Gary Sacra (Co-Chair LNPA WG) and Doug Sullivan (Verizon) agreed to draft a letter to the FCC for Chairman Atkinson's signature that provides the following recommendations to the FCC:
 - It is the position of the NANC that the consumer's Social Security Number/Tax Identification Number shall not be required on an LSR/WPR to port that consumer's telephone number if the consumer's Account

Number associated with the Old Local Service Provider is provided on the LSR/WPR for identification.

- It is the NANC's position that Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) of a port request shall not be predicated on the Old Local Service Provider obtaining a physical copy of the evidence of authorization from the New Local Service Provider. In the event of an end user allegation of an unauthorized change, the New Local Service Provider shall, upon request and in accordance with all applicable laws and rules, provide the evidence of authorization to the Old Local Service Provider.

2. Parties supporting either the Pro or Con positions for Change Order (CO) 400 should provide any updates to Karen Mulberry (karen.mulberry@mci.com) with a copy to Hoke Knox (hoke.knox@mail.sprint.com) by COB June 7, 2005. Karen Mulberry will update the CO 400 section in the FoN WG Report on CO 399 & 400 and distribute the report to the NANC by COB June 10, 2005. Chairman Atkinson will establish a NANC conference call date to discuss and approve the FoN WG's Report on this issue.